



Executive Director's Report

**Juneau 2017
Council Meeting
Patrick Reinhart**



Staff Update/Changes

- Research Analyst III position closed
- Program Coordinator II position open
- All positions funded in FY 2018 except Non-Perm Health Program Manager I
 - ASPEN project closes and Health and Disability grant was not funded



Council Member Updates

- New appointment by Governor Walker/Boards and Commission staff
 - Rep. Millett as our legislative member
- Ursula Jones had to step down
 - No replacement has been named yet
 - *Upon this seat being filled we will be a full Council!*



State Plan Update & Reporting

- Council State 5-Year Plan 2017-2021
 - Amendment due August 2017
 - Will be May Council meeting focus
- Federal DD Council Program Performance Reporting (PPR)
 - Submitted Dec. 2016

Meeting with U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski





DD System Assessment

- Developed a Vision and Values
 - Significant stakeholder outreach (surveys, community forums, webinars)
 - Infographic booklet created
 - Consistent broad system message going into this session

Shared Vision:

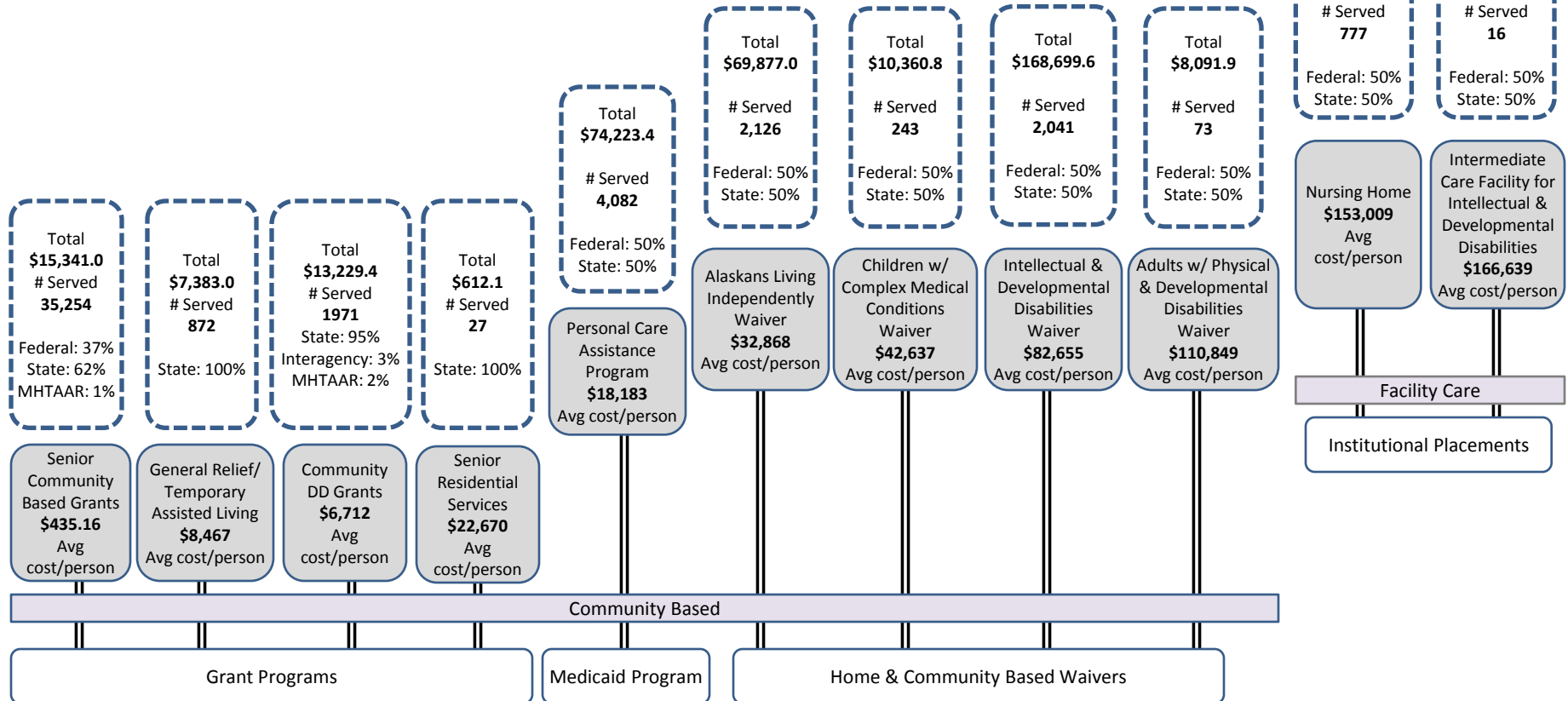
Alaskans share a vision of a flexible system in which each person directs their own supports, based on their strengths and abilities, toward a meaningful life in their home, their job and their community. Our vision includes supported families, professional staff and services available throughout the state now and into the future.

Continuum of Care

Senior and Disabilities Services

SFY 2016 Costs by Funding Source and Average Cost per Person by Service Type

Costs by Funding Source					Total # Served (Duplicated Counts Across Service Types)
Grant Services	Personal Care Assistance	Home & Community Based Waivers	Institutional Placements	Total Costs	
\$36,565.5	\$74,223.4	\$ 257,029.30	\$ 121,554.0	\$489,372.2	39,318



* Data from Automated Budget System, Final Auth 16 report, and COGNOS



FY 17 Budget Impact

FY 17 GF cuts:

- ✓ \$26 million to Medicaid Waiver Costs had to be absorbed by SDS across all waivers. SDS Workgroups with Stakeholders:
 - ❑ Enabling technologies (smart home and assistive tech)
 - ❑ Transportation
 - ❑ Residential Services
 - ❑ Greater scrutiny of Care Plans across the board

Its working –tracking toward reduced costs at this point in time

- ✓ \$50 K in GF to the Council (ILP professional development)
- ✓ SDS has reduced the number of draws from the Developmental Disability Registration and Review (Waitlist), from 200 consumers per year to 50.
- ✓ *Yet, with clean up of waitlist, the number as of January 1, was 520, with ¼ having scores of “zero”, meaning they are not in need of services at this time –this is lowest its been for more than a decade*
- ✓ *Also, each unit having to absorb more shared service costs too*



Overview of FY 17 Budget Impact Capital

- ✓ \$1,000.0 (UGF) Public and Community Transportation State Match was in Governor's Budget, then removed by the Legislature, and put back in and stayed in
- ✓ \$1,050 (\$800 UGF/\$250 MHTAAR) Coordinated Transportation funding
- ✓ No change from FY 17 to FY 18 now

Overview of FY 18 Budget Impact Operating

Early Intervention/Infant Learning Programs (EI/ILP)

\$10,041.7 (\$1859.1 Fed, \$758.1 I/A Rcpts, \$7,425.5 GFMH)

- ✓ Serves Children 0-3 with developmental disabilities with a 50% delay or more (25% in many other states)
- ✓ Provides specialized services for infants and toddlers to increase functional abilities
- ✓ Transfer from OCS to SDS went smoothly and SDS doing a great job managing the program. Our Early Intervention Committee and staff help as much as possible
- ✓ High risk because of \$7.4 M of GF/MH, but federal Maintenance of Effort (MOE) requirements could mitigate this
- ✓ Council provides \$247 K of GF/MH to SDS for professional development to support highly trained workforce in this critical area





Overview of FY 18 Budget Impact Operating

Community Developmental Disabilities Grants

Current Year \$13.1 M(\$57.8 K IA Rcpts, \$12.5M,GFMH)

- ✓ In 2016,26 agencies served 969 individuals at an average cost of \$12 K each. SDS says less than 650 now but budget docs

FY 18 – Reduction of \$5.8 Mil to \$7.3 M and complete elimination of grant program by Jan. 2018

- ✓ Amount in the budget is prorated amount to carry the program to this date
- ✓ SDS working on new “supports waiver’ under 1915 C that would replace the program
- ✓ 78% Medicaid eligible
- ✓ 20% undetermined
- ✓ 2% over resourced
- ✓ 66 persons do not have active determination of an developmental disability, a requirement of the program



Overview of FY 18 Budget Impact Operating

Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education

\$2,146.1 (\$994.6 Fed, \$353.9 I/A Rcpts, \$272 GFMH,
\$525.6 MHTAAR)

- ✓ \$100 K decrement in MHTARR from BEE initiative as Trust will direct fund some of the components listed in GCDSE budget
- ✓ \$272 GFMH is \$247 K is pass through to ILP program for professional development
- ✓ \$150 K is MHTAAR pass thru for MicroEnterprise Program
- ✓ Losing 1 of 9 position at end of this year
- ✓ \$360 K annual federal employment grant ends Sept. 30, but we save enough over 5 years to get full 1 year no cost extension (thru 9/30/18)

Legislative Priority



❑ HB:16 Disability Training and ID

- ✓ Could help protect officers, individuals with disabilities and the public through proper disability awareness training of all peace officers
- ✓ Voluntary placement of icon on ID for persons who have hidden disabilities or difficulty answering a police officers questions or demands.



Legislative Priority



☐ **ABLE Accounts (ABLE Act)**

- ✓ ABLE is up and going and families are signing up. It really is going to allow people to save money for their own disability expenses, and maintain their public benefits.
- ✓ Following up with Senators and Representatives with information about ABLE Accounts and asking them to share it with their constituents through their newsletters and such



Legislative Priority



☐ SB 10 : Adult Foster Care

- ✓ Senator Dunleavy's bill
- ✓ Provides for seamless transition from child foster care to and adult foster care license for individuals who meet nursing home level of care and/or medical fragility
- ✓ Family foster home must switch to assisted living or group homes when the individual turns 18– some families just want to stay in tact



Legislative Priority



☐ “Two for Transit” or “My Two Cents? Public Transit!”

- ✓ Our constituencies, across all the beneficiary groups, are very dependent on public transit and community transportation programs
- ✓ We spend over \$120 million on Medicaid funded transportation
 - Better public transit for all could reduce this number
- ✓ Governor has proposed an \$.08 raise on gasoline tax next year (\$.08 now), and another \$.08 the following year
- ✓ Add 1 cent this year and next and specify, to degree possible, to public and community transportation programs
- ✓ Would raise just over \$4 M next year, and \$8 M following year

Alaska Mobility Coalition Update

- Membership
- Contracts with SILC
And John Kern (ED)
- \$1 Million in state match funding
- Training
- Volunteer Program: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation





Housing and Transportation

- Initial feedback given on Municipality of Anchorage's draft Disability and Access section of the Assessment to Fair Housing (AFH) Plan
 - (additional comment opportunity in Feb.)
- Working with Municipal Transportation Inspector on increasing the amount of accessible taxi cabs



Upcoming Priorities

- DD System Assessment Next Steps
- Legislative Priority Follow Up
- Monitor New Legislation
- Key Coalition's Key Campaign
- ABLE & DB 101 Implementation
- State Plan Public Version
- State Plan Amendment Process



General Comments & GCDSE News

- ✓ Inclusive Practice Award (SPED), Feb.7 Anchorage (Hilton)
- ✓ Key Campaign, March 2-3 in Juneau
- ✓ National Disability Policy Seminar, March 20-22
- ✓ Full Lives Conference, March 22-23 in Anchorage; also Direct Service Awards
- ✓ Wrightslaw (SpEd) Training March 23-24
- ✓ Reuse of Durable medical Equipment and Assistive Technology –*Regs are Out!!!!!!*
- ✓ Disability Rights Activist Judy Heumann May 17-19 for SHRM Conference and More
- ✓ Patrick on vacation to Thailand April 13-30

Questions



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